

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0012] with the following rewritten version:

[0012] Thus, ~~remaining a smaller space in the recess~~ a recess which remains after crushing leads to more reliable prevention of the fracture in the projection. Therefore, as described above, this can reduce labor and costs in manufacturing and enhance the reliability of the compressor.

Please replace paragraph [0012] with the following rewritten version:

[0034] Description has been given to the specific embodiments of the compressor according to the present invention. However, the present invention is not limited to the embodiments disclosed above. It is possible to variously modify the embodiments within the scope of the invention. Specifically, it is optional to increase or decrease the number of the projections 3 of the end plate 1 and the corresponding number of the through holes 4 of the oil separation plate 2. In addition, the recess 5 may be formed in other various shapes such as a hemispheric shape as long as a space is effectively provided in such a way that the space allows metal deformed by pressing to move. To determine an optimum shape and size of the recess 5, it is effective to use the deformation analysis based on simulation by the finite element method, for example. Moreover, the projection 3 may be formed by a cylindrical body, so that a hole of the cylindrical body constitutes the recess 5. In the above embodiments, die casting aluminum alloy is used as material of the projection 3. However, other material may be used as long as the material has a low strength against compressive deformation, wherein the present invention is still effective. It is preferable to apply a lubricating material such as petroleum jelly (e.g., VASELINE) ~~Vaseline~~ onto the top end face (upper face) of the projection 3 so as to decrease a coefficient of friction between the upper face of the projection 3 and the pressing machine. Thereby, deformation of the end face of the projection 3 is suppressed with the pressing machine, which can prevent breaking of the lateral face and can lead to a caulking operation having high prevention effectiveness against fracture.